

# SCHOOL CONTRACT HELD UP BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE COST CITY \$205,700 MORE

Newtown High Work Delayed  
Six Months, Then Higher  
Bid Accepted.

TAXPAYERS FOOT BILL.

Two More Brooklyn Buildings  
Added to List of Unfit  
School Houses.

How the city lost \$205,700 in three months on one school building through the repeated refusal of the Board of Estimate to accept an urgent recommendation from the Board of Education has been revealed through a perusal of the minutes of the latter body.

Last week The Evening World showed how the forced readvertisement for bids cost the city \$13,000 on the addition to the Newtown High School, Queens. Before that little matter was concluded the final contract price to the city was \$986,700 instead of \$781,000, the bid which the Board of Estimate twice refused. He is the story, taken from the minutes of the Board of Education, May 12, 1920:

On Oct. 30, 1919, Thomas Dwyer, as the lowest bidder on an addition to the Newtown High School, was awarded the contract on his bid of \$781,000, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate. This body, on Nov. 21, refused permission and ordered the work readvertised. A special committee of the Board of Education, after interviewing eighteen contractors, reported sixteen had declared a readvertisement would mean an increase by the bidders, due to higher costs of labor and material.

OBSCURE BOARD FAILS TO  
HEED THE WARNING.

Acting on this information the Board of Education reaffirmed its previous award to Mr. Dwyer, embodying in its resolution to the Estimate Board the finding of the special committee. The Estimate Board, however, was adamant and again ordered the work be readvertised. This was done on Jan. 14, 1920. Mr. Dwyer's bid having risen to \$792,000, the contract was awarded to Dennis E. Connors, a new bidder, at \$794,000—an increase of \$13,000.

When the Board of Estimate, Jan. 23, had approved this new contract Mr. Connors notified the school authorities he could not sign the contract at that figure because prices had risen still more. So on April 28 the work was ordered advertised a third time. This time Mr. Connors bid \$1,052,200. Mr. Dwyer did not bid and a T. A. Clarke Company bid \$986,700—\$205,700 more than the original figure.

The Board of Education, feeling the Newtown High School was urgently needed, had no alternative and recommended that the Board of Estimate confirm the contract. This was done.

At the meeting of the Board of Education, Dec. 10, 1919, C. B. J. Snyder, Superintendent of School Buildings, complained about failure of the guardians of the city exchequer to act.

He said he had been "preparing plans for buildings to be erected under our building programme for 1919," although no funds have yet been authorized by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for this building programme.

DILATORINESS THAT DEPRIVES  
CHILDREN OF EDUCATION.

Mr. Snyder then appended a table showing "where sites are more urgently needed" and the dates of selection by the Board of Education together with the action of the Estimate Board. The Evening World has brought the table up to date, changing Mr. Snyder's "to Dec. 1, 1919" to "up to June 27, 1921"—more than a year and a half later.

Location Site Selected by Bd. of Ed. Approved by Bd. of Estimate Date of Selection Action of Board of Estimate

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## STILLMAN HUNTED IN VAIN BY WIFE'S SUBPOENA SERVER

Banker "Not In" to Man Seeking to Insure His Attendance at Divorce Hearing.

CASE UP TO-MORROW.

Defense Will Not Press, for Present, Charge in Which "Clara" Is Named.

The efforts of Charles J. Wallace to serve a subpoena for the attendance of James A. Stillman before Daniel J. Gleason, referee in the Stillman divorce action, were reported this afternoon to be unavailing. Mr. Wallace took the subpoena after Lawyer J. F. Brennan yesterday afternoon and began making a weary round which included Mr. Stillman's home at No. 270 Fifth Avenue, the Brook Knickerbocker Lunch and other clubs without finding Mr. Stillman "in."

There was no intimation from Mrs. Stillman's counsel that Mr. Stillman seemed to be avoiding service; his persistence in seeking him was merely, it was explained, to comply with all the legal forms necessary to insure his presence at the hearing at Poughkeepsie to-morrow for cross examination.

Mrs. Stillman will be at the hearing. She and her husband have not yet met before the referee.

John E. Mack, legal guardian for the baby Guy Stillman, when Mr. Stillman appeared before Surrogate Gleason for the formal testimony required of him as complainant, reserved the right to cross question the financier. The lawyers themselves were in doubt as to the latitude which would be allowed the defense in getting from Mr. Stillman on the witness stand material which would be of value in establishing conduct by him which disqualified him from seeking a divorce or which would break the force of his complaining affidavit that he had lived apart from Mrs. Stillman for a definite time before the birth of Guy.

Mr. Brennan acknowledged to-day that for the present, at any rate, he would not press so much of the defense as was outlined in his supplementary answer charging Mr. Stillman with occupying apartments in this city with a woman known as Clara. These charges were based on statements and affidavits furnished by Mrs. Beatrice Keller, who had lodgings for theatrical persons on the west side three or four years ago and were supported by the statements of a man named Wright, a lodger with Mrs. Keller, who was brought on here from the Pacific Coast by Mrs. Stillman's lawyers.

Information has been gained by Mr. Brennan, through Mrs. Stillman, that Mrs. Keller has been identified as Beatrice Brevino, one of the fencing girls of Anna Held's "French Maid," and has appeared in court frequently.

It was not Mr. Brennan's intention to-day to ask the referee to strike out the answer as to "Clara," but to refrain from offering testimony to support that answer unless more witnesses could be found.

The city continues to show interesting results. In one of the finest sections of Brooklyn, Bay Ridge, an old wooden schoolhouse is being used as part of P. S. No. 102, 121 Street and Second Avenue, Brooklyn. The toilet is foul smelling, although with fairly modern equipment, because the plumbing is inadequate and the building virtually impossible to ventilate.

The wooden stairs are worn deep and give indication of falling apart, the floors are patched and the illumination is from the inadequate gas fixtures without mantles typical of the old schools. The walls are chipped and the entire building is disreputable—not so much through its age as through its neglect.

At 32nd Street and Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn, is Public School No. 117, the so-called "Armory School." It is housed in the old 32d Regiment armory. Although spacious, the structure was all the disadvantage of an armory. The main hall, in which are emergency classrooms, separated by dust-gathering curtains on shaky runs, has virtually no light.

An exceedingly long time-expense was required to get any kind of picture of this interior, so dim and inadequate was the light.

There are twenty-three rooms in the building, but nine cannot be used because the Fire Department has ruled the building unsafe for occupants of the third floor. The rooms have many windows, but they are very narrow and give less light than most schools have. The typical gas jets are used on dark days. There is absolutely no privacy for classes when they shift and study is thus interfered with continually.

## Dangerous Old Building in Use In Brooklyn as a Public School



OLD PUBLIC SCHOOL 102, STILL IN USE ALTHOUGH DANGEROUS AND ILLUMINATED BY GAS. BAY RIDGE BROOKLYN.

## KIDDIE KLUB TO GIVE RELIEF FROM THE SUMMER HEAT TO 100,000 NEW YORK CHILDREN

Evening World's Plans for  
Recreation and Movie  
Shows Expanding.

At least 90,000 children of Greater New York—maybe 100,000 or more—will find relief from the hot streets this summer through the efforts of The Evening World Kiddie Klub, and the co-operation of the motion picture theatre owners, who will give free seats three times a week for the children.

Every day new offers of additional seats are received from theatres not hitherto included in the list, and there are children enough to occupy all the seats that may be provided.

Three more theatres sent in their offers to-day—the Oxford, at Flatbush Avenue and State Street, Brooklyn; the Garden, at Richmond Hill, and the Roosevelt, at Jamaica Avenue and 89th Street, Richmond Hill. Further along in this column will be found a complete list of the houses that thus far have offered free seats for the specified afternoons.

On the basis of the offers already received it will be possible to entertain 3,700 children a day, 10,000 a week, which means 90,000 in the season.

There is one thing that Cousin Eleanor asks of the Kiddie Klub children: That no child shall take advantage of the free tickets more than once in one week, because there are so many children to be cared for—and Kiddie Klub members are not supposed to be selfish.

For non-theatre afternoons there are cool places like the municipal recreation piers, which also were opened as a result of the efforts of the Evening World.

HOW KIDDY KLUB MEMBERS  
CAN GET SEATS.

But this is about the theatres, and here are instructions for the child that wants to go: First look in the list of theatres and select the theatre nearest your home. Then go to the lobby of that theatre and find the Kiddie Klub window. There you will get a card which is to be filled out by your mother or father. This is the way the card reads:

EVENING WORLD'S KIDDIE KLUB  
SUMMER AMUSEMENTS

Theatre..... Borough.....

I hereby authorize.....

member of the Mothers' Clubs to accompany

Name of Child.....

Address.....

Age..... Certificate No.....

My son/daughter, to the above motion picture theatre.

Signed.....

Parent or Guardian

When card is properly filled out present it at the Kiddie Klub window in the theatre lobby. Only children of eight years or over will be admitted.

The card, properly filled out, will be as good as a ticket for the child who also presents his badge and membership certificate of the Kiddie Klub. Cards may be obtained at the theatre from to-day on. First shows will begin next week. Watch announcements.

Here is a list of the theatres that will give the free seats.

MANHATTAN.

Theatre..... Address.....

North Star, 1255 Fifth Ave.

Manhattan, 46 West 109th St.

Bushman, 35 West 110th St.

East Side, 235 Avenue A.

Windsor, 412 Grand St.

New 14th St., 235 East 14th St.

Sunshine, 151 East Houston St.

Casino, 141 Second Ave.

Regent, 49 West 119th St.

Fifth Avenue, 1912 Fifth Ave.

## HOW TO GET A NEW PIN.

In order to get a new Kiddie Klub pin you must save up three coupons, numbered in rotation, and send them to Cousin Eleanor, The Evening World's Kiddie Klub, No. 63 Park Row, New York City, together with a letter giving your name, address, age and certificate number.

Mount Morris, 1417 Fifth Ave.  
Classic, 264 West 181st St.  
Winter Garden, 153 East 38th St.  
Crescent, 1175 Boston Road.  
Globe, 218 Third Ave.  
Florence, 75 East Broadway.  
Plaza, 59th St. and Madison Ave.  
58th St. Playhouse, 68th St. & 3d Ave.

BROOKLYN.  
Farragut, 1401 Flatbush Ave.  
Rialto, 1083 Flatbush Ave.  
Linden, 817 Flatbush Ave.  
Park, 422 Fifth Ave.  
Carlton, 290 Flatbush Ave.  
Peerless (3d Ave.), 485 Third Ave.  
Colonial, 7415 Fifth Ave.  
Stadium, 102 Chester Ave.  
Sheffield, 508 Sheffield Ave.  
Parkside, 728 Flatbush Ave.  
Bunny, 311 Flatbush Ave.  
Carlton, 290 Flatbush Ave.  
Stanley, 2075 88th St. (Bensonhurst).  
Atlantic, 205 Flatbush Ave.  
Montauk, Bath Ave. and Bay 24th.  
Park, 2082 Coney Ave.  
Manhattan, 1905 Manhattan Ave.  
Marathon, 188 Prospect Park W.  
Globe, 223 15th St.

Normandy, Fulton St. & Howard Ave.  
Oxford, Flatbush Ave. & State St.  
BRONX.  
Bronx Strand, 827 Westchester Ave.  
Tremont, 1642 Webster Ave.  
Empire, 364 Westchester Ave.  
Valentine, Valentine and Fordham.  
United States, 194th St. & Webster.  
Bronx Plaza, 187th St. & Wash. Ave.  
Miracle, 754 Melrose Ave.  
Metropolis, 244 Third Ave.  
Webster, 406 E. 17th St.  
Concourse, 216 E. Fordham Road.  
Grange, Broadway and 137th St.

STATEN ISLAND.  
Richmond, Stapleton.  
Star, New Brighton.  
Empire, Port Richmond.  
LONG ISLAND.  
Flushing, Flushing.  
Nassau, Port Washington.  
Park, Corona.  
Rialto, Jamaica.  
Garden, Richmond Hill.  
Roosevelt, Jamaica Ave. & 89th St.  
Richmond Hill.

## HOW TO JOIN THE KLUB. CUT OUT THIS COUPON.

Fill out this coupon and send it to the Kiddie Klub window in the lobby of the theatre nearest your home. All children up to sixteen years of age may become members. Each member is provided with a silver gray Klub Tin and membership certificate.

COUPON 797

Tongue Blamed for Family's Illness.

A tongue bought at an auction of food left over at an outing of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Swedish Home for the Aged on Staten Island Sunday is believed to have caused the illness of the family of Franz Oscar Johnson, Superintendent of the building No. 12 Whitehall street. Johnson, his wife, father and mother are in Broad Street Hospital, suffering from ptomaine poisoning.

It'll soon be time to go fishing and half the fun's in the Ancres Cheese sandwiches you take along for lunch. The new sanitary coated wrapper keeps Ancres Cheese fresh.

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CHEESE

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## 'DIVORCE MILL' GRINDS OUT A CASE EVERY 20 MINUTES

Supreme Court Begins Work on Large Calendar of Undeclared Actions.

At an average speed of twenty minutes to the case, the Supreme Court began to-day the clearing up for the year of the 137 undeclared suits for divorce which remain on the calendar.

This is the so-called "divorce mill" which grinds every Friday during the term, but as the calendar must be cleared of these matrimonial snarls, the court started in to-day and will devote also to-morrow and Thursday to the work.

There were only forty-one cases ready when Justice Guy began calling the calendar. The remainder will go over to to-morrow and next day. Before the "mill" finishes grinding Justice Guy will have sent cases to four of his colleagues on the bench, Justices Cohan, Platzeck, Gavegan and Erlanger.

The procedure was the same in practically all cases. The plaintiff was called to the stand, stated the charges on which the suit was based, identified the marriage certificate and the photograph of the co-respondent. Witnesses testify and then the attorney for the plaintiff testifies to service on the defendant. This, save for the announcement of the court, "decision reserved until papers are duly presented," ends the case. The final decision is given ten days later.

In the case of Howard Twilly, his wife, contrary to custom, was in court, sitting only one chair removed from her husband. After the case was heard they left the court room together. In the corridor they shook hands and then kissed, each wishing the other "good luck."

Rose Spicker's case against her husband Sam, residents of No. 68 Stanton Street, required only seven minutes by the clock. The alleged offense of Sam was committed in Blake Street, Brooklyn, in 1920.

One of the cases sent by Justice Grey to Justice Gavegan's Court was that of Mrs. Sophie Warren, No. 134 Park Avenue, Jamaica, who testified that she married George H. Warren in Sept., 1908, in this city, that they had an eleven-year-old son, who is now with her.

Anna Harmon, a friend, told of serving the defendant with the papers. Harry A. Masters, a broker, stated that on April 5, her and Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Anna H. Zelikow went to No. 2 West 101st Street, to look at some rugs which Mrs. Warren had for sale. He said they found the defendant and an unnamed woman who was in her night clothes. Mrs. Zelikow corroborated Masters' testimony.

Mildred Flore, in asking for a divorce from George Flore, alleged that at various times after their marriage in August, 1919, he had been overtaken by various women. Anthony Tulio, who said he was a chauffeur and a friend of Flore's, told of having accompanied him on two occasions to an apartment on East 17th Street with young women.

Justice Gavegan—Are you interested in the girl? A. No.

The Court—How is it you are not ashamed to come here in a public place and tell of your misconduct? A. I am telling the truth.

The Court—You are not ashamed because it is the truth? Well, it's the truth. I am not married.

The Court (to plaintiff's attorney) I don't believe your witness. Have you any other?

The Attorney—No, your honor. This witness told me the same story.

The Court—Complaint dismissed!

Charged With Theft, Blames Heat. Virginia Callahan of New Bedford, Mass., who came to this city to go on trial to-day for the alleged theft of a \$119 shirtwaist from B. Altman & Co.'s fifteen months ago, was arrested yesterday afternoon, charged with extracting \$3 from a purse of a customer in the 2nd floor store at 3rd Street and Broadway. She said it must have been the heat that made her forget herself.

## The June Moth

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He will destroy more clothes during that period than the entire nation will wear out.

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## MISS ADELE FRANK, RED CROSS WORKER, IS A BRIDE TO-DAY



MISS ADELE FRANK

Is a "Born and Bred" New Yorker and Well Known as a Pianist.

Miss Adele Frank, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Frank of No. 1222 Madison Avenue, a young social worker and pianist of note, will to-day become the bride of Siegmund Selig in services at the Jewish Temple Rodeph Sholem.

The officiating rabbi will be Dr. Rudolph Grossman, assisted by the Rev. Nathan Melzer.

Miss Frank, who was born and reared in New York City, was an active Red Cross worker during the World War.

Mr. Selig was in Europe when the war started. With the signing of the armistice he came to the United States and a few months later their engagement was announced. They will leave Thursday for a three months' honeymoon abroad.

## GOLF BALLS ROUT BANDITS TOO LATE

Mount Vernon Country Club Caretaker Robbed Before He Could Use Ammunition.

If George Emerson, sixty-four, caretaker of the Mount Vernon Country Club, had had two minutes' warning, his scientific use of golf balls as ammunition might have saved him from being robbed of \$129 by two bandits yesterday. As it was he routed the pair, but they kept the money. He was carrying a load of balls across the links when near the seventh green, screened from the clubhouse and roads, two youths jumped from the underbrush. One struck the caretaker with an iron pipe, knocked him down and took his money.

Emerson grabbed a handful of golf balls as he got to his feet and quickly routed the pair. But they got away with their loot and he was taken to the Mount Vernon Hospital.

SAYS JUSTICE MISCARRIED.

State Moves to Remedy Wrong Resulting From Union Bank Case.

State Superintendent of Banks Charles V. McLaughlin, through Assistant District Attorney Goldstein of Brooklyn, took steps to-day to remedy what appears to have been a miscarriage of justice at the time of the failure of the Union Bank in 1916. He instituted proceedings to-day before Justice Callaghan to set aside a verdict and judgment of \$20,056 against William McGuire.

McGuire was a clerk in the office of James M. Brown, now dead, who was president of the Union Bank. When the failure was inevitable, Brown to save himself a legal assessment of double the value of all his stock holdings transferred 200 shares to McGuire. McGuire was sued for twice its value and judgment was taken. Supt. McLaughlin is now convinced that McGuire was not the owner of the stock. It is charged that the executors of Brown's estate knew the stock belonged to Brown and should have saved him from the judgment.

## MACY'S ASKS TAX REVISION. Says Assessment On Store Property Is \$1,200,000 Too High.

A writ of certiorari was granted to-day by Justice Donnelly to R. H. Macy & Co., directing the Tax Board to show why the site at Broadway and 34th Street had been assessed \$7,625,000, while in 1908 the value was put at \$6,000,000. The petitioners state a fair valuation would be \$6,425,000.

Another obtaining a writ for a review was the Wadsworth Realty Co., owners of the residence of Senator R. A. Clark, Fifth Avenue and 77th Street, assessed at \$2,500,000. The concern claims it is worth but \$2,625,000.



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